

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROFESSIONS ADVISORY MINUTES

November 16, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buddy Todd – Chairperson, Donia Henderson, Jean Whitehead w/guest Cary Thomas, April Newton, Bryan VanMeter, Mark Rowh, Linda Stanhope, Captain Tony Hill.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Neumann, Eric Lynn, Mark Nickson, Perry Perkins, Derek Vaughn.

EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT: Paul Whitfield, Doug Adcock, Wade Olsen, Bill Crawford, Kim Crowley.

1. Welcome – Buddy Todd, Chairperson, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made around the table.
2. Minutes – The November 3, 2005, minutes were approved as written.
3. Continuing Health Care Education – Crowley reported that there were 50 people at the Tri-State Symposium this year. She's disappointed with the turn out but attributes part of it to the brochure that went out, and there were many other activities going on at the same time elsewhere. She plans on moving the program to the spring next year in hopes of a better turn out. She is also planning a two day program on Farm-Medic for the rural communities.
4. Student Representative Report – Henderson reported that the students are raising money for their pinning ceremony by teaching CPR classes this semester.
5. Medical Directors Report – Absent
6. Directors Report
 - A. Faculty Changes - Whitfield became Director of the program in August, after John Smoot left the college to peruse new endeavors in Florida. Adock moved into Whitfield's position and Olsen was hired in August and moved into Adcock's 9-month position.

- B. Facility Changes – The EMSP lab area is used as a lab and classroom, as well as room 177. Future plans are to put a door from the EMSP lab into room 177 to better utilize the space and for an allocated EMSP classroom area.
- C. EMSP Website – www.actx.edu/emsp is the programs website and shows program offerings.
- ❖ Graduates from Spring 2006- all graduates passed the National Registry, but one student.
 - ❖ On Campus – Two Basic-EMT courses with an approx. 60 students.
 - ❖ Impact of Immunization Requirements – One-third of the finishing Basic EMT class must come back in the spring to finish clinic because they did not have their third HEP-B completed. Whitfield is concerned of why the Department of State Health Services requires some EMS programs in the state are held to the immunization requirements while other programs are not. There is some relief, in that, now the students can have a titer done that will show their immunities.
 - ❖ Current Advanced Class- There's 12 students and anticipate all will pass.
 - ❖ Spring 2007 Advanced Class – Acceptance letters have been sent to 22 students and 21 have returned them.
 - ❖ Off Campus – The Baker Boys, our off campus instructors, are doing an excellent job! They will be the lead instructors with the ACCAL class. This will start January 16, and will serve 11 high school students.
 - ❖ BDLS – So far, 20 BDLS courses have been done within 20 months, with good enrollment. Whitfield stated that they will not teach anymore unless asked.
 - ❖ American Heart Association – Whitfield is working with the Continuing Health Care department at AC doing CPR classes and it is working well. AHA has changed the way CPR is being done. Now, the provider does not stop compression on the patient.
 - ❖ PHTLS – The program is in the process of setting up PHTLS courses.

- ❖ CCEMTP – July 17, 2005, Adcock, traveled to the University of Maryland for two weeks to become a coordinator to teach the Emergency Medical Transport which is designed to prepare paramedics and nurses to function as members of a critical care transport team. Adcock taught the 5 week course this summer. There were 12 students in the class, and all passed the test but one student. The next class will be offered in May. The cost to take the class is \$675.
 - ❖ National Registry Changes – Starting January 1, 2007, EMS graduates can now take their National Registry Exam on-line and will receive their grade with in 24 hours.
 - ❖ EMS National Scope of Practice Model – Whitfield gave everyone a copy of the EMS National Scope of Practice Model to look over at their leisure. Whitfield stated that back in 1990, Larry Croy, who was director of the program at the time, wrote the curriculum that is being used today. AC's program is 95% in compliance of what the scope of practice states – we are in excellent shape. EMS in Texas was established mostly by volunteers, and it is time to raise the bar.
 - ❖ Program Accreditation - Whitfield is working on getting the EMS program accredited through the national organization. The program is currently accredited for the next four years with the Department of State Health Services.
7. Faculty Report – Adcock and Olsen stated that everything is going well.
 8. Other Business – Whitfield thanked everyone for being on the advisory board. Their professionalism is commended and they will truly be an asset to this program.
 9. Adjournment – Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Minutes were written and submitted by Kim Lacey, Administrative Assistant.
